IN THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application. An identifier indicating the status of each claim is provided.

Listing of Claims

1.   (Currently Amended) An information processing apparatus for executing predetermined processing in accordance with a first operation, a second operation, or a third operation, comprising:

jog dial means for enabling an operator to perform said first operation, said second operation, and said third operation;

wherein said jog dial means comprises a programmable power key (PPK) which activates a desired software program or script file while the information processing apparatus is in power save mode or with the power being off;

first display control means for controlling a display, in accordance with said first operation or said second operation performed through said jog dial means, for displaying an image among a set of images, which are at least partially displayed on a view area of the display for the operator to select the image for browsing corresponding to content recorded on a recording medium; and

reproduction means for reproducing content corresponding to said image for browsing of which display is kept in a selected state by said first display control means if said third operation has been performed through said jog dial means.

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2.   (Previously Presented) The information processing apparatus according to

claim 1, wherein said first display control means controls the display of said image for browsing

such that said image for browsing is linearly aligned with the set of images.

3.   (Previously Presented) The information processing apparatus according to

claim 1, wherein said first display control means controls the display of said image for browsing

such that said image for browsing is aligned with the set of images in a curve which constitutes a

circle.

4.   (Previously Presented) The information processing apparatus according to

claim 1, wherein said first display control means controls the display of said image for browsing

such that said image for browsing is spirally aligned with the set of images in a three-

dimensional space.

5.   (Previously Presented) The information processing apparatus according to

claim 1, wherein said first display control means controls the display of said image for browsing

such that said image for browsing is aligned with the set of images in a planar manner.

6.   (Previously Presented) The information processing apparatus according to

claim 1, further comprising:

second display control means for controlling, in accordance with said first

operation or said second operation performed through said jog dial means, the display of an icon

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of an application program which uses said content to be reproduced by said reproduction means; and

starting means for starting, if said third operation is performed through said jog dial means with the display of an icon of a predetermined application program kept in an active state by said second display control means, said predetermined application program of which display of an icon is kept in the active state.

7.   (Previously Presented) The information processing apparatus according to claim 6, wherein, when any display of the icon of said application program is kept in the active state by said second display control means and said third operation is performed through said jog dial means, said starting means ends said application program started.

8.   (Previously Presented) The information processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein each of said first operation and said second operation is performed by rotating or turning a rotating or turning type dial.

9.   (Previously Presented) The information processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said third operation is performed by depressing a rotating or turning type dial.

10.   (Previously Presented) The information processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said first operation, said third operation, and said second operation are performed by switches arranged substantially in straight-line in this order.

11.   (Currently Amended) An information processing method for an

information processing apparatus for executing predetermined processing in accordance with a

first operation, a second operation, or a third operation, comprising:

an enabling step for enabling an operator to perform said first operation, said

second operation, and said third operation through the use of a jog dial means;,

wherein said jog dial means comprises a programmable power key (PPK)

which activates a desired software program or script file while the information processing

apparatus is in power save mode or with the power being off;

a first display control step for controlling a display, in accordance with said first

operation or said second operation performed through said jog dial means, for displaying an

image among a set of images, which are at least partially displayed on a view area of the display

for the operator to select the image for browsing corresponding to content recorded on a

recording medium; and

a reproduction step for reproducing content corresponding to said image for

browsing of which display is kept in a selected state in said first display control step if said third

operation has been performed through said jog dial means.

12.   (Previously Presented) The information processing method according to

claim 11, wherein each of said first operation and said second operation is performed by rotating

or turning a rotating or turning type dial.

13.   (Previously Presented) The information processing method according to

claim 11, wherein said third operation is performed by depressing a rotating or turning type dial.

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14.   (Previously Presented) The information processing method according to claim 11, wherein said first operation, said third operation, and said second operation are performed by switches arranged substantially in straight-line in this order.

15-18. (Canceled)

19.   (Currently Amended) A program storage medium for storing a computer-readable program for controlling an information processing apparatus for executing predetermined processing in accordance with a first operation, a second operation, or a third operation, said computer-readable program comprising:

an enabling step for enabling an operator to perform said first operation, said second operation, and said third operation through the use of a jog dial means;,

wherein said jog dial means comprises a programmable power key (PPK) which activates a desired software program or script file while the information processing apparatus is in power save mode or with the power being off;

a first display control step for controlling a display, in accordance with said first operation or said second operation performed through said jog dial means, for displaying an image among a set of images, which are at least partially displayed on a view area of the display for the operator to select the image for browsing corresponding to content recorded on a recording medium; and

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a reproduction step for reproducing content corresponding to said image for

browsing of which display is kept in a selected state in said first display control step if said third

operation has been performed through said jog dial means.

20.   (Previously Presented) The program storage medium according to claim

19, wherein each of said first operation and said second operation is performed by rotating or

turning a rotating or turning type dial.

21.   (Previously Presented) The program storage medium according to claim

19, wherein said third operation is performed by depressing a rotating or turning type dial.

22.   (Previously Presented) The program storage medium according to claim

19, wherein said first operation, said third operation, and said second operation are performed by

switches arranged substantially in straight-line in this order.